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**Agency: Commerce, Community and Economic Development** 

**Grants to Municipalities (AS 37.05.315)** 

Grant Recipient: Anchorage Federal Tax ID: 92-0059987

Project Title: Project Type: Remodel, Reconstruction and Upgrades

# **Anchorage - University Lake Park Safety and Community Enhancements**

State Funding Requested: \$50,000 House District: Anchorage Areawide (16-32)

Future Funding May Be Requested

### **Brief Project Description:**

Improve and upgrade parking, amenities for off-leash-dogs, and lake and stream protection.

### **Funding Plan:**

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Total Project Cost:	\$1,000,000
Funding Already Secured:	(\$0)
FY2012 State Funding Request:	(\$50,000)
Project Deficit:	\$950,000

### **Detailed Project Description and Justification:**

The park is heavily used by students, employees, tourist, and patients of the adjacent universities, office buildings, hotel and hospitals. In addition, the park is a favorite for off-leash dog walkers as one of the Municipality's designated off-leash-dog areas. The park faces the challenge of serving diverse user groups and has not had facility upgrades to keep pace with demand.

State funds will be used to address key needs, including safe and adequate parking, amenities for off-leash-dogs, and lake and stream protection. Initial improvements include parking and pedestrian access improvements, upgrades to parks and trails, park amenity upgrades including benches and trash receptacles, fencing, signage, water access, and landscaping stabilization and re-vegetation of lake and stream banks.

### **Project Timeline:**

2011-2015

### **Entity Responsible for the Ongoing Operation and Maintenance of this Project:**

Municipality of Anchorage

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\$50,000

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Has this project been through a public review process at the local level and is it a community priority? X Yes No

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### CAPSIS Project Number

Legislative District 22K

# ANCHORAGE PARKS & RECREATION

## University Lake Park

### Project Description:

State funds would supplement the Anchorage Park Foundation contributions to address key needs, including safe and adequate parking, amenities for off-leash-dogs, and lake and stream protection. Initial improvements include parking and pedestrian access improvements, upgrades to park trails, park amenity upgrades including benches and trash receptacles, fencing, signage, water access, and landscaping stabilization and revegetation of the lake and stream banks.

#### Comments:

Situated between Alaska Pacific University and the Alaska Native Medical Center in the U-Med District, University Lake Park is a popular recreational respite.

### Justification:

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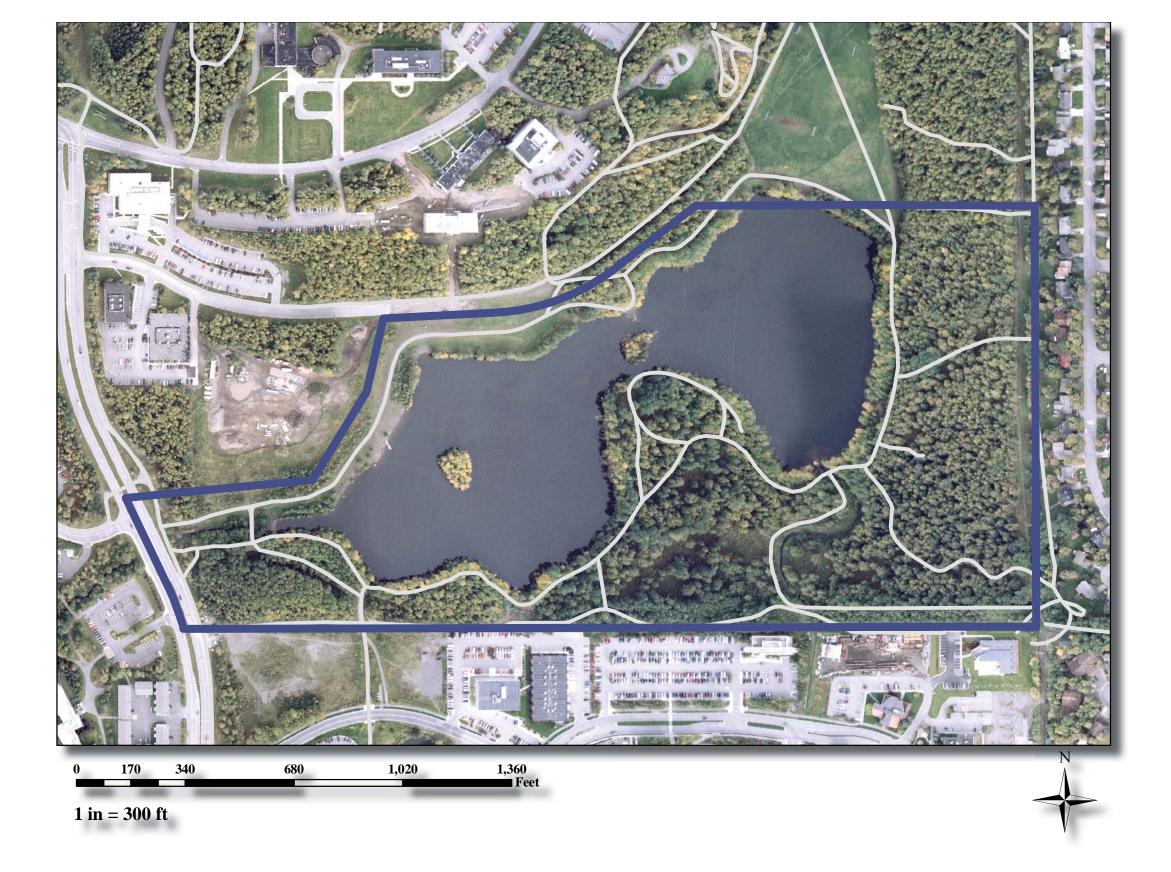
Anchorage has 10,946 acres of municipal parkland, 223 parks, and over 250 miles of trails and greenbelts that link neighborhoods with surrounding natural open space and wildlife habitat. These are considerable assets for the citizens of Anchorage to enjoy and maintain.

Parks & Recreation launched the Clean & Green, Safe & Secure Campaign with the Anchorage Park Foundation to upgrade the safety, function, and appearance of Anchorage parks. To get involved, call 343-4587.









# University Lake Park

### Project Cost Estimate

Project Budget Cost

1. Improvements to \$500,00
University Lake Park

Funding:

1.State Grant \$500,000

Total 2011 Legislative Request \$500,000

